WARFIELD OPENS IN ANOTHER SHOW HERE

Star Makes Attractive Start in Production at the Belasco Theater.

David Belasco last night at the Belasco Theater presented for the first time on any stage a dramatization of the legend of the Flying Dutchman, with David Warfield in the title role

of Van Der Decken. The play takes up the thread of the story in the year 1815, after Van Der Decken has wandered nearly 200 years. The legend goes that not until a woman has boarded the ship Batavia, Van Der Decken's vessel, and consented to sail for nine years with the Flying Dutchman, will the curse be lifted, and Van Der Decken round the Capé and put into the port in Amsterdam.

Always hunting for the woman who will go with him Van Der Decken has put into port after port, sailing at sunset, but until the story opens he has never found the reincarnated spirit of the woman who would go with him.

But at last he finds her in a tavern. "The Three Gulls" on the wharves of small seaport in Holland, where Belasco has staged the first act of this drama.

Van Der Decken is represented as man of about forty, quiet, calm, and philosophical with the terrible realization of his fate, doing what kindly deeds he can, but ever seeking, seeking for the woman. His crew, in the second act on board the wormeaten Batavia, have not been given the boon of youth, but are incredibly old and doddering, almost unable to remember the commands of Van Der Decken, or the reason for their constant wandering from port to port. They are presented in a half light

carousing in the cabin on the liquor which they have stolen in a furtive trip ashore. As the men from the small town board the ship they disappear into the The role of the woman, played by

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Jane Cooper, presents a girl of eighteen, who wishes to marry a penniless schoolmaster, but who is to be forced into marriage with an cld and rich rogue who is as repulsive as her own father, Nickolas Staats.

Into a gathering of sailors, who imagine they have sighted in the fog hanks off the shore, comes Van Der Decken longing for society.

The young girl, Trintie, has come to the tavern to meet her schoolmaster lover. Van Der Decken pays the men to sit and drink with him, and tells the tale of the "Flying Dutchman."

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As he reaches the climax and tells how he murdered one of the crew who when the cape in the face of a terrible storm in order that he might reach his home and wife and child, the lights are gradually extinguished by a terrific storm which has risen suddenly.

The men are frightened, but do not

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realize that the story teller is himself the Flying Dutchman. As he passes from the relation of tragedy to the statement of the promise of release, the storm lifts, and just as all has cleared Frintle reenters the room for a moment.

He recognizes her as the reincarnation of his wife, and almost reveals his identity in his surprise. The men leave, however, and with the exception of one, do not know him. This sailor, a friend of. Trintle's, warns him to not harm the gir!, and half sure that he is the Flying Dutchman leaves him.

Trintle re-enters and offers to go aboard the "Batavias" for Van Der Decken promises that he can solve all of her troubles.

This brings act one to a close, and act two follows immediately in point of time. Act one is by far the strongest in noint of dramatic action of the three, although act two brings the promise of relief for the wanderer when Trintle comes aboard, and his renunciation of her offer to accompany him and save him partiy lifts the curse.

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Act two takes place nine years later in Amsterdam, when Trintle is revealed in her own home happily married to the schoolmaster, possessor of a child, just as Van Der Decken wished. After a sounding of the relief motive by the presence of the saliors who

After a seunding of the relief motive by the presence of the sailors who first saw Van Der Decken in the "The Gulls' the wanderer enters, in port of Amsterdam at last, and ready to say good-by to Trintie.

Scene 2 of Act III shows Van Der Decken off the wharves of Amsterdam at sunset, in a symbolic representation of death, with the boatman waiting to take him on his last journey.

Marvelously staged, satisfyingly defineated by the cast, and painstakingly constructed, this production seems more of a poem than a play; the picturization of a thought rather than the series of events in the order which is demanded by the drama.

The principals of the cast, besides David Warfield and Jane Cooper, are William Borg. Fritz Leiber. Harold Russell, and Marie Bates.

The only matinee of this production will be given Saturday.

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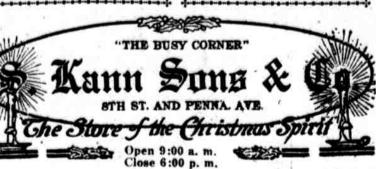
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